

### ***Abstract of the Invention***

5           The invention provides methods and compositions for enhancing the  
bioavailability of a drug in a subject. The present invention also provides methods and  
compositions for treating or preventing hepatic injury in a subject in need thereof.  
The invention further provides methods for identifying hydrophobic peptides, *e.g.*,  $\beta$ -  
amyloid peptide derivatives, which are useful in enhancing bioavailability of a drug in a  
10   subject.

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